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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9305**
Mikio YAMAHIRO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0455A
Serial No. 10/528,001 : Group Art Unit 1709
Filed July 25, 2005 : Examiner Thomas L. Matochik
SILICON COMPOUND : **Mail Stop: Amendment**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
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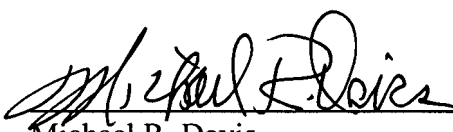
Responsive to the Office Action of July 27, 2007, constituting a requirement for restriction among (I) claims 1-20, (II) claims 21-41 and (III) claims 42-49, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-20.

Applicants emphasize that this election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claims 21-49.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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